



BIOGRAPHY

United States Air Force

436th Airlift Wing (AMC)
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COLONEL SYER S. CAUDILL

Colonel Syer S. Caudill is the commander of the 436th Logistics Group, Dover Air Force Base, Del. In this position, he is responsible for providing all logistical support required to sustain 36 C-5 Galaxy aircraft and 3,600 personnel assigned to the 436th Airlift Wing.

Col Caudill was commissioned through Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, in 1977. Since completion of the Aircraft Maintenance Officer Course, Chanute AFB, Ill., Col Caudill has held aircraft maintenance positions from maintenance officer to maintenance supervisor to commander. He has worked on the SR-71, U-2, T-38, KC-135A/R/Q, and B-52 aircraft. Col Caudill has been a staff officer at Headquarters Strategic Air Command as well as an ROTC instructor. Assigned to Headquarters United States Air Force, he was the Chief, Maintenance Manpower and Training, overseeing all maintenance manpower and training issues for the USAF. In addition to his current command, he has also commanded a maintenance squadron, supporting 19 B-52G and 26 KC-135 aircraft. Col Caudill was also the Deputy Commander for the 82nd Training Group, Sheppard AFB, Texas, comprised of four squadrons that provided training to approximately 30,000 students annually, and his last assignment was as the Director, Operational Support and Commander, Headquarters Squadron Section at Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. As the Director he was responsible for planning, organizing, and directing all staff support for 262 AWC resident students and over 164 faculty and staff.



EDUCATION:

1976 Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
1977 Master of Business Administration, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
1983 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell AFB, AL
1991 Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk Naval Air Station, Norfolk, VA
1992 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 1977-December 1977, student, Aircraft Maintenance Officer Course, Chanute AFB, IL.
2. December 1977-May 1980, maintenance officer, 9th Avionics, Field and Organizational Maintenance Squadrons, Beale AFB, CA.
3. May 1980-May 1983, Assistant Deputy Commander for Maintenance, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa.
4. May 1983-June 1986, staff officer, Logistics Plans and Policy Division, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, NE.
5. June 1986-October 1988, Instructor and Acting Commander ROTC Det 88, California State University, Sacramento, CA.
6. November 1988-August 1991, 416th BMW Executive Officer and Commander, 416th Field Maintenance Squadron,

Griffiss AFB, NY.

7. August 1991-June 1992, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
8. June 1992-May 1994, Division Chief, Leadership and Management, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
9. June 1994-November 1996, Chief, Maintenance Manpower and Training, Directorate of Maintenance, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, and Executive Officer, Director of Maintenance, Headquarters US Air Force, Washington DC.
10. December 1996-July 1998, Deputy Group Commander, 82nd Training Group, Sheppard AFB, TX.
11. December 1999- March 2001, Chief, Strategic Planning and Director of Operational Support, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
12. March 2001 – present, Commander 436th Airlift Wing Logistics Group, Dover AFB, DE

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant, 23 June 1977

First Lieutenant, 23 June 1979

Captain, 23 June 1981

Major, 1 August 1988

Lieutenant Colonel, 1 November 1993

Colonel, 1 September 1999